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America has had Marines stationed in the Persian Gulf for 40 years.

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They said it

"Government is not the solution to our problems government is the problem."

-Ronald Reagan

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UPDATE

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE

Is sponsoring a "Tardeada," a Columbian carnival, on Sunday Oct. 25 from noon until 5 p.m. There will be food, music and games. The program is being set up by Saddleback's Extended Opportunities Programs and Services committee. For more information call (714) 582-4620.

JESS MARLOW

Will be speaking at a symposium on child care issues. The symposium will be held on Friday, Nov. 6 at Park Place in the Fluor Building in Irvine. Registration must be post marked by Nov. 1, 1987. The cost including lunch is \$15. After Oct. 19, registration will be \$25. For more information call Ann Kakita at (714) 567-6096.

RSC DAYS

"ye Olde English Faire" Saturday and Sunday Oct. 17 and 18, at 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is \$4. Tickets may be purchased in Johnson Center at the student activities office. For more information call (714) 667-3098.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

The Tustin Community Services Department will sponsor a Halloween festival. The festival will be on Saturday Oct. 31 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Clifton C. Miller Community Center at 300 Centennial Way in Tustin. Admission is free. For further information call (714) 544-8890 ext. 220.

CROSS COUNTRY MEET

The sixth annual city wide cross country meet will be held at Santa Ana's Centennial Park on Sunday Nov. 1, at 10 a.m. Registration will be \$3 per person and will be taken at the Community Services Department at 300 Centennial Way. The registration will be accepted through Oct. 30. For more information call (714) 544-8890.

GREAT AMERICAN SMOKE OUT

November 15 will be the date for "the Great American Smokeout." A rally will be held at the City Shopping Center on the corner of the City Drive and Chapman in Orange from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call the American Cancer Society at (714) 751-0441.



A touch of Spring in the Fall. Photo right, taken by Vince La a while walking the back bay in Huntington Beach.

Justice instructor calls for investigation of OC Sherriff

Gates charged with perjury by Wright

by Dan Tratensek
el Don

George Wright, criminal justice instructor at RSC, has called for a federal investigation of Orange County Sheriff Brad Gates.

Gates, who has been sheriff for the past 13 years, allegedly had his deputies attend and tape a 1981 lecture given by Wright on the use of tear gas.

"The reason they were in there (was that) I had just declared that I might be running for Sheriff in '82," said Wright, who unsuccessfully ran against Gates in 1978.

Wright, along with central municipal court judge Bobby D. Youngblood and private investigator George Bland had filed suit against Gates in Civil Rights Court in 1983.

The case maintained that the sheriff had been using his deputies to harass and spy on them for political reasons.

The case was never tried. Gates legal representatives agreed to settle out of court for \$375,000 which was paid out of the county's self-insurance fund. John L. Oskins Jr., Orange County risk management director, referred to the settlement as a "compromise that in no way implied any guilt on the part of Gates."

"You don't pay someone \$375,000 when you are right," Youngblood said. "I wanted to show everyone what Gates was doing, which I did and I wanted him to leave me alone which he did."

The settlement was divided among the plaintiffs, Wright received \$88,000 even though he was dropped as a plaintiff due to a sworn statement by

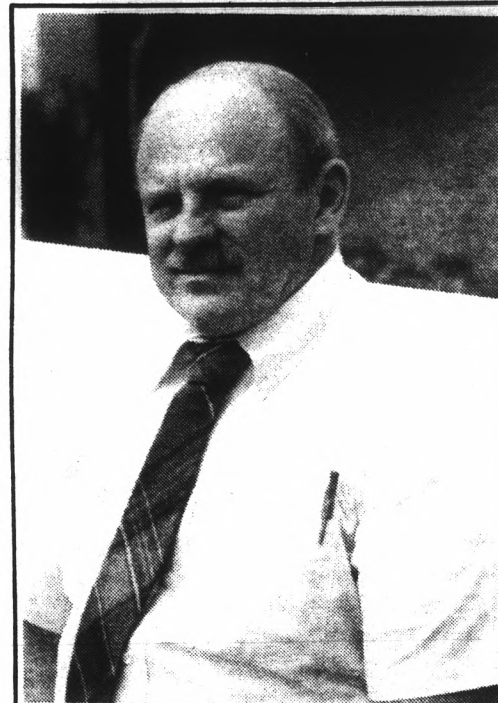
Gates denying charges.

Wright is now asking that the FBI investigate Gates, on charges that Gates along with Lt. Tim Simon and Sgt. Randy Blair lied and committed perjury in a statement given on Feb. 6, 1985 before a U.S. District Court.

During the trial all three men stated that they had never monitored Wright's actions or activities. One year after the statements were made a tape of Wright's lecture surfaced with the names of two of Gates informants on it.

In 1982 an informant acting on orders from the Orange County Sheriff's Office recorded a phone call with Register reporter Chuck Cook. The informant was to phone Cook and determine if he was encouraging inmates of the county jail to speak out against Gates.

Gates has been investigated several times by several different organizations on charges ranging from racketeering to brutality.



RSC criminal justice instructor George Wright.

No Title V changes until next year

This is the final article of a three-part series investigating the ramifications of the state Title V regulations on the Associate of Arts Degree.

by Greer H. Anderson
el Don

Since Title V was enacted the student reaction has been minimal but according to Mike Jones, ASB president, his main concern is how the changes will affect student motivation.

"Highly motivated students are going to be very successful," said Dr. Robert Jensen, RSC chancellor. Jensen maintains that students who are highly motivated about their education are going to do well regardless of these changes.

Jones is also optimistic about the changes.

"I think Title V will work as long as matriculation is revised," Jones said.

According to Lynn Steadman, RSC dean of counseling revising matriculation is an on going process.

Some students are concerned how the advisory prerequisites will affect the work they have already completed. But according to Jensen Title V changes won't have an effect on these student's standing. He also explained that most of the staff have incorporated these standards into their classes all along.

The only cost of the changes at this point is a lot of time and effort on the part of the teachers, explained Jensen.

"I'm very proud of the faculty in assuming their professional responsibilities in such a positive way," said Carter Doran, RSC vice chancellor of academics.

According to Doran, Title V requires a lot of work and the staff has been willing to do it.

Overall the changes won't be seen until next year according to the Title V schedule and even after that revisions can be made as long as they are approved. What remains to be seen is if the advisory prerequisites will become mandatory and if the students will use these prerequisites to their advantage.

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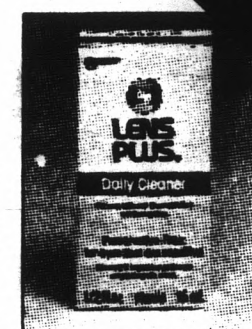
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RSC health center ready , willing

by Ruth McGinnis
el Don

If you are worried about a rash but have no cash, or if you are concerned about a lump and you're down-in-the-dumps, relief is available in the RSC Health Services at no charge.

Located on the ground floor of the Johnson Center, the facility is a fully-equipped medical office designed to meet the medical and emergency needs of RSC students, both full and part-time.

"We see an average of 50 students every day, for every ailment imaginable," said Mary Jane Carbone, a registered nurse and director of RSC student health services.

"We perform minor surgeries, ear lavage, tumor removal, suturing of lacerations and blood drawing for lab tests," Carbone said. "We were the first to suspect a brain tumor in a student on campus recently. We referred her to the appropriate doctor in the community and she subsequently underwent surgery."

"We do a lot of one-on-one education with the students concerning such things as sexually transmitted diseases, obesity, anorexia, ear and eye problems, alcoholism and substance abuse," said Carbone.

Students concerned about having the symptoms of AIDS are referred to the Orange County Health Department for testing and counseling.

Student tuition covers fees for treatment in the health services department except for laboratory tests. The blood is drawn by health service nurses and sent to a laboratory off campus.

For example, a complete blood count costs the student \$3.50, a urinalysis costs \$2.75 and a pregnancy test costs \$8. All these charges are



Santa Ana paramedics respond to a call from RSC's health center regarding a student with chest pains.

Photos by Vince Lara

approximately one-fourth those of hospitals or other off-campus laboratories, according to Carbone.

Registered nurses are on duty during health service hours Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Physicians and psychiatrists are available at scheduled hours of the day and night. Appointments are recommended and can be made by calling 667-3446.

"A large part of our job is education, teaching the student how to stay well," Carbone said. "For example, in April of this year, our nurses held 146 conferences or counseling sessions with students on a one-on-one basis, covering a wide spectrum of health concerns."

Services which are not provided on

campus include: routine physicals, dental care, x-rays, filling prescriptions and eye glasses.

"It doesn't make sense to use all of the hours we have a doctor on campus to do physicals, when we really are here to treat the sick and educate the students," said Carbone.

Referrals are made to physicians and dentists off campus for services not provided by RSC.

Carbone said the center even has basic plans in case of a disaster, such as an earthquake or plane crash.

"If a plane crashed on this campus or a major earthquake shook this

campus, we would treat the injured with our supplies in the largest area, most likely the gym, if it was still standing," Carbone said. "Disaster planning is a school responsibility in conjunction with the community. Health services would play an important role but would not be in charge of the procedures."

"As you can see, we are not here on campus just as a band-aid station," Carbone said. "We do some pretty sophisticated medicine and we encourage students to drop in and avail themselves of our services."

Health center responds to campus emergency

RSC health service personnel responded to an emergency Monday, Oct. 12, at about 11 a.m., when a female student complained of chest pains during an aerobics class.

The student was transported from the gym to RSC's health center by special motorized cart, accompanied by a registered nurse, where she was met by the doctor on duty for an immediate assessment.

After administering oxygen and giving a careful examination, the physician determined that further care was needed and the Santa Ana Fire Department paramedics were called in.

The student, unidentified by health personnel because of confidentiality rules, was taken to St. Joseph Hospital for further treatment.

According to Ada Cole, health service RN, this type of emergency is not uncommon. All doctors and nurses in the department are skilled in CPR measures and are called upon to use them routinely.

-Ruth McGinnis



Santa Ana paramedics clean up after treating an RSC student.

RSC Sports

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Quote

"We were behind at first, but we went on fighting. We showed pride and courage. Those are the kinds of things that win championships."

—Al Siddons, cross country coach

Running the road to success



An RSC runner goes for the finish line at a recent invitational.

Dons place second, third at invitationals

by Wendy Reynolds
El Don

The RSC cross country team's road to success has been marked by tough courses, hot days and strong competition.

Even with these factors, the team has done well by placing second at the Crystal Springs Invitational in San Mateo and finishing third at their own Irvine Invitational last Friday.

With the temperature hovering around 90 degrees in San Mateo, Jim Sorensen placed first in the individual results. Four other RSC runners finished in the top 20 out of a field of 85 runners.

The team was edged out of a first place victory by West Valley College by two points.

"We were behind at first, but we went on fighting," said coach Al Siddons. "We showed pride and courage. Those are the kinds of things that win championships."

At Irvine the team placed third. The drop may have been due to the injury of one of the team's key runners, Dave Moore.

Moore sprained his ankle during practice and won't be able to participate until the next meet. Also recovering from an injury is Greg Nietzel, who ran in Irvine but is still not up to his peak level of performance.

Gilbert Vasquez, usually the teams fifth man, turned in a strong performance. This time he was the second man only to Sorensen, who placed sixth overall.

"Jim and Gilbert both ran outstanding races," said Siddons. "The best in Southern California were all in the race."

Siddons said there hadn't been an invitational this large since the early 70s.

"You just don't see this type of large field, highly competitive races," Siddons said.

"There's no comparison," Siddons said of the difference of the two meets. "The Southern California Con-

ference is very tough. Northern California has never nor will they ever win in the state finals."

The women's cross country team was not able to qualify in the last two meets due to the lack of a fifth member.

It take five members to qualify for a race. The women's team has been plagued with illness and injuries, therefore losing that crucial fifth member.

I'm proud of the women's team," Siddons says. "They're rough competitors and are improving with every week."

If the women can get a fifth team member, Siddons expects them to finish in the top three at the conference finals.

The team's next meet is Friday, October 30 against Saddleback and Riverside in Riverside.



The womens cross country team look for a fifth team member to qualify for invitationals.

Wendy Reynolds
El Don

Soccer

Playing the field

by Lynette Martinolich
El Don

A tradition of excellence has become a motto for RSC's men soccer team.

Three out of the last four seasons the Dons have come out on top of their conference.

"We have been persistence in producing excellent teams," said coach J.P. Frutos. The Dons came into the season with a 3-1 preseason record.

The 21 member team has a diversity of culture on and off the field. Players from Kuwait to the United Arab Emertis have come to be a part of the RSC program. Chris Bozo from Chile has been impressed with the unity the team has, despite the variety of backgrounds.

"I've played soccer all my life and this is the first team I've been on where the players get along on and off the field," said Bozo.

The unity that the Dons have might be the key factor that has sent them to the championships the past four seasons.

"Every player is outstanding," Frutos said. "To be here, you have to be."

"We feel very positive about our strengths and techniques," said Frutos.

RSC looks to keep consistent performances this season, while the other teams look to defeat the highly talented Dons

"Every school we play will be tough, they're all out to beat us," said Frutos.

Sports Calendar

Thurs., Oct. 15

Water polo vs. Mt. Sac at Mt. Sac, 3 p.m.

Fri., Oct. 16

Water polo vs. San Diego Mesa at San Diego Mesa, 3 p.m.

Soccer vs. Orange Coast at RSC, 3 p.m.

Cross country — Mt. Sac Invitational at Mt. Sac, 9 a.m.

Volleyball vs. Southwestern at RSC, 5:30 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 17

Football vs. Southwestern at Eddie West Field, 7:30 p.m.

Wrestling — Palomar dual Tournament at Palomar, all day

Tues., Oct. 20

Water polo vs. Palomar at RSC, 3 p.m.

Soccer vs. Riverside at RSC, 3 p.m.

Wed., Oct. 21

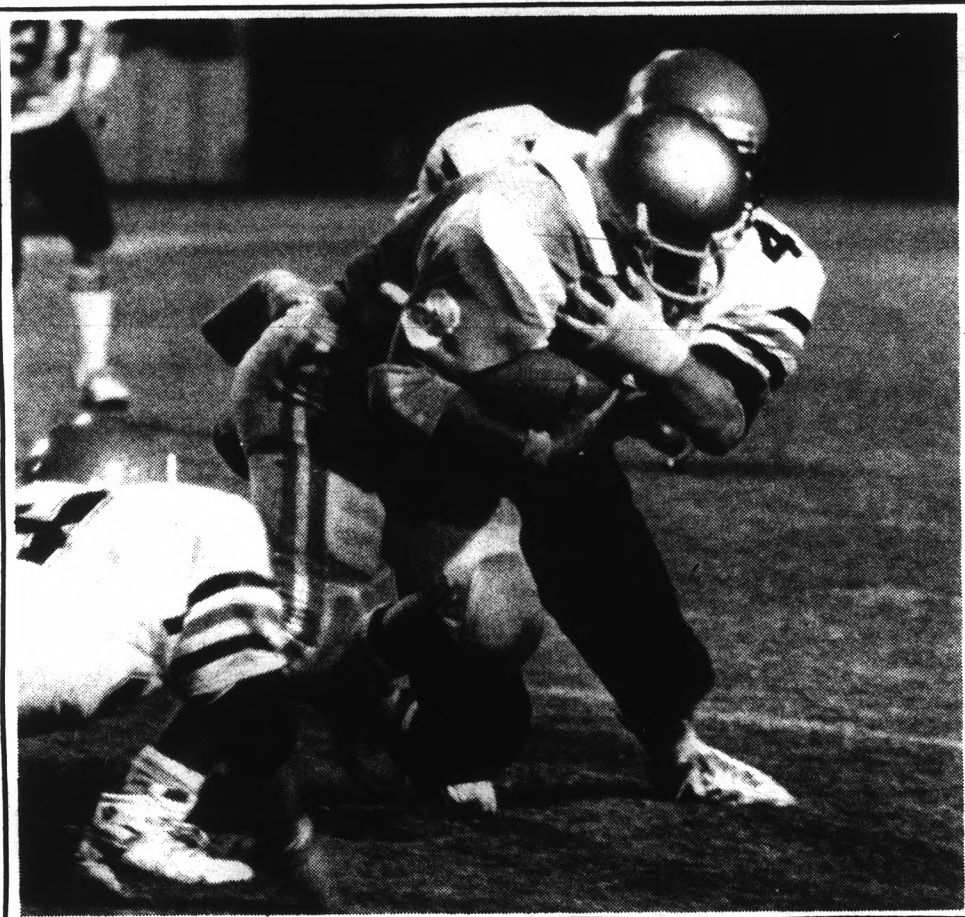
Volleyball vs. Saddleback at Saddleback, 5:30 p.m.

Wrestling vs. Palomar at Palomar, 7:30 p.m.

What's the most attended sport in the United States?
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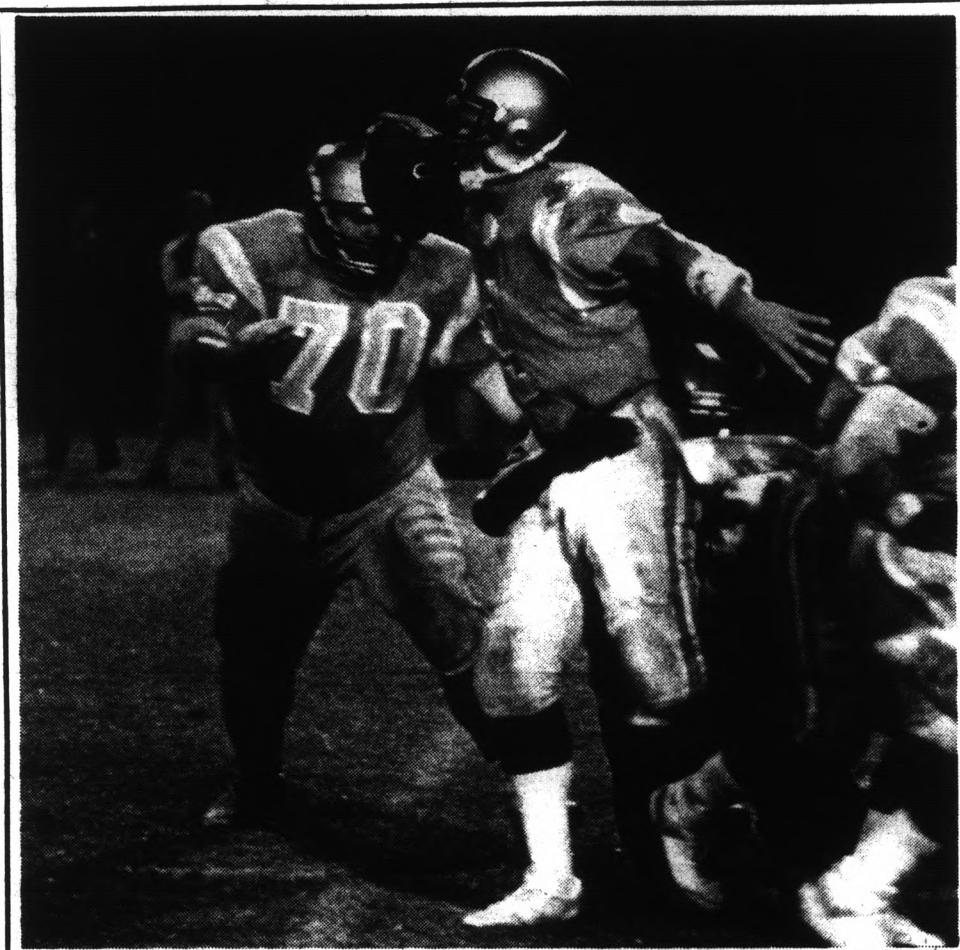
Dons lose third straight



Lucien Philbrick/el Don

The Dons lost their third conference game last Saturday night against San Diego Mesa, 21-18. RSC took an early lead in the second quarter when Matt Snitko kicked a 24 yard field goal. Still in the quarter Glenn Campbell took a hand off from Rick Burns for a 54 yard touchdown run. Jaime Nelson caught a two yard pass from Rick Burns for the last score in the game.

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Ron D'Avis Rub a dub dub, three men in a room

Upshaw, Donlan and Bork
hammer out the NFL strike

In an effort to prove he would make a competent Supreme Court Justice, Robert Bork recently took a shot at mediating the NFL strike negotiations. The following is a surreptitious transcript of a meeting between Bork, Gene Upshaw, president of the NFL Players Association, and Jack Donlan, negotiator for the NFL owners.

Bork- Gentlemen, let's review the items already on the table.

Upshaw- Well, there's some water glasses, a tablecloth, three pencils, some pretzels and a Yahtzee scoring pad.

Donlan- Gene, I'm afraid you're leaving out the most important item: the current issue of People magazine.

Bork- Oh yeah, is that the one with Mahalia Jackson on the cover?

Upshaw- No, that's Michael Jackson. He's bad.

Donlan- Yeah, I've heard of him. He's in the Jackson 5 with Reggie, Jesse, Glenda and Keith. In the vernacular of today's youth they're righteous dudes. I think my son has some of their rahcords out in the yahd.

Bork- Gentlemen, can we get back to the strike?

Upshaw- Let's discuss free agency.

Bork- As far as I'm concerned, Mr. Upshaw, that is a non-issue. I think President Lincoln solved that for you fellows many years ago in an earlier league.

Donlan- Let's talk about the impohtahnt issues, like the length of the players haih.

Bork- Now there's something I know a lot about, hair care.

Upshaw- Yeah, I've been noticing your hair. Does your wife use that stuff to get those tough, cooked-on stains off her pots and pans?

Bork- That will be enoegh, Mr. Upshaw. I will hold you in com-tempt.

Donlan- I already hold him in contempt.

Bork- OK, OK, Mr. Donlan, let's not bring personal feelings into this thing, shall we? Oh, by the way, Ted Kennedy called. He want his accent back. Gentlemen, jurise prudence...

Donlan- Don't you have a daughter named Prudence, Gene?

Upshaw- No, that was Otis Sis-trunk.

Bork- As I was saying, ipso facto, de jure, corpus delecti, no lo contendre and soup de jour. You two are at an impasse. However, with my superior judicial abilities, I have a solution.

Using the Fairness Doctrine, players will rotate teams each game. Every player will be a free agent every week. Rozelle will be happy because he'll have parity instead of the parody he has now with the USFL (Union Scab Football League) games. Thank you, Mr. Upshaw and Mr. Donlan.

Now if you'll excuse me, I have to go see my friend Joeseph Biden. He told me he has written a document that could help your two sides in the future. It reads: "We the people, in order to form a more perfect union..."

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A goof in the gulf

In 1973 the United States Congress passed the War Powers Act that required the President to consult Congress before sending troops into dangerous areas. US troops have now been in the Persian Gulf for two months. Reagan has yet to consult Congress.

Reagan claims the troops are there for the purpose of keeping the gulf free for shipping. Repeated hostilities between the US and Iran have been brushed off by the administration as minor incidents.

Reagan has no right to do what he pleases with the American military. It is required of him to let Congress know what is going on, yet he refuses to do so.

Reagan's refusal to comply with the War Powers Act makes it look as if he has something to hide. Why can't he admit what he is doing? It seems, unfortunately, that since he never has, he never will.

The constant denial that there have been and will be no hostilities between our country and Iran is an insult to our national intelligence. When we see

American servicemen on TV sinking Iranian ships after being fired upon by those ships, how can we believe nothing is going on?

Perhaps the Iran/Contra scandal brought out the true President Reagan to the American people. He refuses to admit what is going on, he is ignorant of the most obvious facts and he stands strong on only the most hopeless of cases.

When the President gets guts enough to stand before Congress and tell the world the truth, then we can rest assured we have a strong, straightforward government. Until then, however, we must rest uneasily with the fact that our government, specifically our President, considers us too ignorant to realize they are breaking the law and to understand what is going on in front of our faces.

At the rate the hostilities are escalating, another Vietnam cannot be far off. We must stop our interference before it reaches the point of no return. Another "war" such as that will shatter any confidence we have in our country.

Closing 'Gates behind him

During Orange County Sheriff Brad Gates tenure, he has been investigated, indicted and accused a number of times for abusing his position.

Any elected official who is even accused of using his power to better himself or to cause harm to his opposition is abhorrent.

For a Sheriff to utilize his deputies to tape or investigate his political opposition is beyond ethical reality. Even more shocking is that the same deputies who are sworn to uphold the law would be accused of committing perjury in court to protect their "totally legal operation."

In the most recent case, Gates was accused of taping and keeping secret files on several of his political oppo-

nents, including George Wright, criminal justice instructor at RSC. The suit which was originally for \$10 million was settled out of court by Gates' attorneys for over \$300,000, all of which was paid by taxpayers.

By using it to harass and intimidate his opponents, Gates has turned the Sheriff's office into a mockery of justice.

Gates has tarnished the name and badge of the Orange County Sheriffs Department. It is time for the misuse of justice to end.

el Don believes Sheriff Brad Gates should resign his position.

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War from the 50-yard line

It's a beautiful day for an all-out skirmish

by Lowell Bennink
el Don

I've often wondered what it would have been like if there would have been sportscasters around at the time of major events in American history...

The American Revolution- "It's a beautiful day for a revolution, kids. George and his boys are dressed in blue, while all the king's men are in red. And there's the first shot heard around the world signifying the start. "George and his bunch are sneaky. Whoops, they look like they're bogged down at Valley Forge! But wait a minute. Jefferson is diagraming a declaration for the playbook. The Patriots are trying a sneak at the Delaware! Look at that end around! They're driving the king's guys back, deep in their own end... Yes! The referee signals a score! Patriots win on a touchback!"

The Civil War- "Grant and Lee are in a real barn-burner here in the South. Both have drove deep into the other's territory, only to be turned away before the score. We're into overtime.

"Lincoln is signaling a new play. Grant takes the snap. It's a sneak! His offense is burning a path through the South! He sees the ocean, but the South has two men waiting at Atlanta. WAIT! Atlanta is flattened by a great

block! Grant scores!"

World War II- "Hitler is pitching a strong game against the British and French. The Axis powers are easily handling the Allies without having to bring Japan or Italy out of the bullpen. Oooh! The Blitzkrieg brothers deliver two quick home runs for the Germans! On defense, Rommel makes a great diving stop of a sure hit in Africa! Is there no hope for the Allies.

"But hold on! Roosevelt is in the Allied dugout helping Churchill. Yes! America takes the mound in the fourth. They shut down the German offense. The Allied offense comes alive!

"The American hitters jump all over Hitler at Normandy! Rommel lets a simple grounder get through his legs. He's pulled! Japan pinch hits, but A. Bomb whiffs 'em! Eisenhower blasts a ball deep, deep, to the wall, IT'S GONE! Allies win!"

Vietnam- "Kong give Uncle Sam a quick one-two. Sam responds a hard hook. Then a jab. And another jab. A right. A left. Kong tries a weak punch. Kong is clearly outclassed here.

"But hold on! Sam falls to the mat! The ref counts! I don't believe it! Sam's been counted out! I don't believe it! Sam took a dive! He took a dive!"

Until next time.

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Lifting the 'Orange Curtain' from our eyes

by Patrick Mitchell
el Don

Do Southern Californians care? Sure they do, about cars, clothes, having the right job, what there peers think of them and generally just themselves. A Southern California male in his early or mid-twenties may join a health club.

Why? Because that's where all the "Rad" girls are. Certainly not just for his health.

Do you think the average young adult in Orange County thinks about

what is going on in the middle east or, more specifically, the Persian Gulf? Are they worried about being drafted?

Life behind the "Orange Curtain" may seem just fine now but what happens if that curtain opens and we are all faced with something like the draft? You won't always be able to hide behind trendy sportswear purchased at your favorite mall.

How many of you remember the Chernobyl accident? Or was that too far away? Less than one hour away headed south on Pacific Coast High-

way you can find the San Onofre Nuclear Power Facility. Is that close enough? Accidents can happen, even in Southern California.

Speaking of accidents, what did you think of California's series of earthquakes? They say the big ones coming and we should start preparing now. I bet most of us don't, it's just not something we think about until it's too late. Thousands of lives can be saved but probably won't be. Because we don't have the time to prepare a simple emergency kit or evacuation

plan.

There is a lot of people who won't even read this far and the sad part is most of those people are the ones that care the least. The ones that laugh at those who work for a better world. What's worst is they are the ones that will be lost, wounded or unprepared in time of emergencies, and will depend on us for care.

Come on Southern California Wake Up! It's not "Amerika" yet. There are lots of ways to bring about change, but it starts with you.

Finding the way to true liberation, equality

by Kathy Speakman
el Don

As if all the Amazon women weren't having enough trouble finding enough men in light of the shortage of men and the strain the 80s have placed on relationships, here come the feminists again, drilling an even bigger cavity between the sexes.

Supreme Court Justice William Brennan decreed that women, as well as blacks and other minorities, can receive preferential treatment in employment. It takes this discrimination one step further in endorsing a voluntary affirmative action plan in situations where there was no history of discrimination.

The case revolves around Diane Joyce, an employee of the Santa Clara County Transportation Agency, who applied for a job as dispatcher. Paul Johnson, a 13-year employee of the

agency, also applied.

Johnson filed suit when he was passed over for the job due to affirmative action procedures, despite the fact that he was more qualified.

Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act makes it unlawful for an employer to "deprive any individual of employment opportunities otherwise adversely affect his status as an employee because of ... race, color, religion, sex or national origin."

In one fell swoop, Brennan abolishes our fair employment opportunity laws.

Now the women's rights groups rejoice in their "victory" and their "accomplishment." Excuse me? What accomplishment? What had Joyce done to earn this position she has been handed by virtue of political clout?

I never cease to be amazed by women's liberation groups. Like spoiled children, they run around

bullying society and insisting on their way, with little or no real foresight or thought as to whether it is really best for women, or if it is right. It seems more important to invoke revenge for past injustices than to make a true contribution to women.

This classic case of reverse discrimination is both an insult to women and an infringement of individual liberties.

Educated and qualified women do not need to take jobs away from men by prejudicial laws that amount to nothing more than brute force. This only implies that women cannot stand on their own abilities. This is itself an anti-feminist philosophy.

Furthermore, this decision only drives another nail in the coffin of free enterprise. The poor quality of America's products are in part a result of this type of reasoning, which erodes incentive and the pride of

accomplishment.

The theory seems to be: if you're not qualified to get the job, declare discrimination, summon the ACLU and you can strong-arm your way in.

What need is there for a job well done?

Turn about is not fair play. These women's groups issued profuse protests when the discrimination was on the other foot. Changing sides to destroy fair employment practices only continues the injustices. While it may be well intentioned, it is nonetheless illegal, immoral and destructive to men, women and society as a whole.

Neither men, women or minorities of any kind need to be handed a job on a silver platter. Each person must stand on his or her own merit.

Then, and only then, can women say they have really taken a large step forward in liberation.

Letters to the editor

Student claims el Don lied

Your editorial "Books return to the classroom" about the Alabama and Tennessee textbook suits reeks with half-truths, which do more to damage than totally fabricated lies.

On this issue, the el Don is not the only paper that is guilty of disseminating half-truths liberally laced together with bias.

In my research through many sources, I found the media painted the figures in the landscape they wanted us to see and left out information that would show the true picture. All is fair in love and war, Right?

For those of you who don't know what this rebuttal is in opposition to, the weekly magazine Human Events issued a piece entitled 'Censorship' Or Religious Freedom? by Gene Tarne in which he lays out in detail the misinformation being disseminated concerning these cases and their constitutional issues.

When in the course of human events prejudice by the self-styled protectors of society "the media" becomes so rampant that they can't be accurate, their half-truths need exposure.

Paula Martin

Editor's note: Information for the above mentioned el Don editorial was obtained from the Los Angeles Times.

el Don welcomes letters to the editor, positive or negative, on any aspect of this paper or the RSC campus.



Ramones break down; Pogues goes western

by Vince Lara
el Don

The sanity is sparse throughout the grooves as the music penetrates the inner ear 1,2,3...GO for "Halfway to Sanity," the new album from the Ramones on Sire records.

The four lads of fast paced rock give us another slap in the face for American culture.

Songs like "Worm Man," "I Lost My Mind" and "I'm Not Jesus" portray mental break downs, a subject common to these post punk veterans.

On the other spectrum the Ramones present titles such as "Go Lil' Camaro Go" and "A Real Cool Time." Both songs characterize some of the typical youth outlets in an 80's fashion.

The style of the Ramones has drastically changed since the days of "Rock 'n' Roll High School." They have taken on a much more mature and compromising style as seen in our modern conservative culture.

Though not a bad slump, a more daring and defiant album could have culminated from the Ramones.

"Halfway to Sanity" is not as campy as previous works, and is very limited on chuckles. The pseudo-punkers give a disc containing a strong message about America with help from ex-Blondie member Debby Harry who



Joey and Mark Ramone (left, right) at a record signing party for Abbey Road Record Warehouse.

Vince Lara/el Don

has collaborated on previous Ramones albums.

Now how many of you recall a movie that came out in the summer of '87 making a grand appearance for a big three weeks or less.

Its title was "Straight to Hell" and the story was a satire on spaghetti westerns starring the musicians that created the soundtrack.

The Pogues, known for their traditional styled Irish music with a punk edge, dominate most of the tracks with renditions of "Danny Boy" and "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" aside from original cowpunk songs.

Joe Strummer, Pray for Rain and the MacManus gang all contribute to a wild soundtrack unlike any Ennio Morricone record heard. The movie

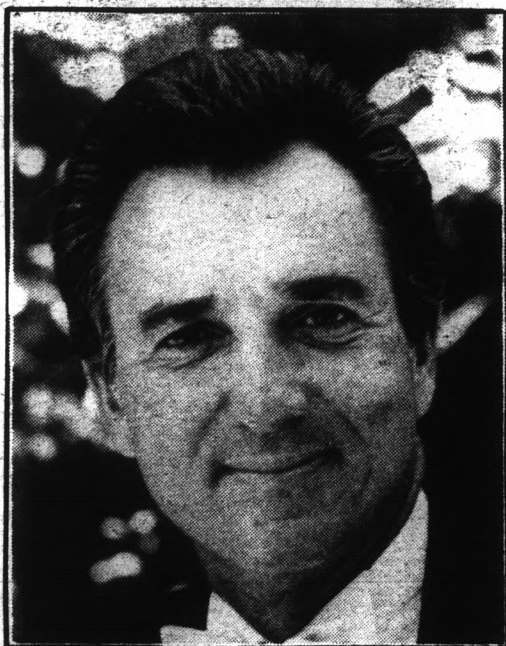
had no real obvious plot and mainly dealt with a satirical look at coffee violence and sexual attention all happening in a small town desert.

Special appearances are made by Dennis Hopper, Grace Jones and Elvis Costello adding to a cast of this short lived but entertaining film. If this film pops up at a revival theater be sure to catch it.

'Round and 'bout Southern California

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ale" will be presented Dec. 20 with guest conductor John Rutter. For more information about tickets and times contact Scott Nelson or Catherine Leestma at (714) 556-6262.

HUNTINGTON BEACH

KOCE channel 50, Orange County's PBS affiliate, will celebrate it's 15th anniversary during October and November.

There will be an Open House including tours of the studio, video presentations, information and souvenir booths at Golden West College's Annual Community Festival Oct. 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

On Oct. 31, from 9:30 p.m. to midnight, there will be Halloween Night Mystery Cruise aboard the Hornblower Pacific. "Flapper Days" theme costumes are encouraged. Tickets are \$50 each. All proceeds will go to KOCE-TV. For more information contact Judith Schaefer (714) 895-5623.

LAGUNA

"The Foreigner," a comedy by Larry Shue will run at the Laguna Moulton Playhouse Oct. 19 through Nov. at 8 p.m. each night, with a Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m. For more information contact Bob Wood at (714) 494-8022.

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